Claims.

An I.S. machine for blowing a parison of glass in
 a blow mold and cooling the blown parison into a formed bottle which can be removed from the blow mold comprising a blow head arm.

means for supporting said blow head arm at an
"on" position,

10 at least one blow head supported by said blow head arm,

each of said blow heads including an inlet for supplying air to the interior of a parison to blow the parison,

air supply means for supplying air at a selected pressure to the inlet of the blow heads to blow the parison, and

pressure sensing means for sensing a pressure representative of the pressure within a parison as it is blown, and

control means for receiving data from said pressure sensing means and for determining the time during blow head "on" of an occurrence of a local minimum pressure as a parison is blown.

2. An I.S. machine according to claim 1, wherein each of the blow heads engages the top surface of a corresponding number of blow molds when the blow head arm is at the "on" position.

3. An I.S. machine according to claim 1, further comprising displacement means for raising said blow head arm a selected vertical distance, at a predetermined time relative to the time of said local minimum, said selected vertical distance being selected so that at least a minimum pressure will continue within the blown parison.

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